

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel originally filed claims 1-29, retain original claims 30-33, and add the following new claims, namely claims 34-42:

Claims 1-29 (canceled)

30. (Original) A lower urinary tract symptoms diagnostic method comprising the steps of:

- a. supporting a prostatic urethra;
- b. sequentially and incrementally returning portions of the prostatic urethra to an unsupported condition during a bladder voiding event; and,
- c. visually assessing fluid flow associated with said sequential and incremental return of portions of the prostatic urethra to an unsupported condition.

31. (Original) The method of claim 30 wherein linear relationships among the structures of the lower urinary tract are ascertained during said sequential and incremental return of portions of the prostatic urethra to an unsupported condition.

32. (Original) The method of claim 31 further comprising the step of ascertaining pressure corresponding to said fluid flow.

33. (Original) The method of claim 32 further comprising the step of obtaining a casting of the prostatic urethra.

34. (Newly added) A bladder outlet obstruction diagnostic methodology comprising the steps of:

- a. positioning an indwelling device for selective support of a prostatic urethra; and,
- b. manipulating a portion of said indwelling device so as to permit a prostate to physiologically act upon a prostatic responsive segment of said indwelling device.

35. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein said manipulating permits sequential assessment of prostatic urethra patency.

36. (New) The method of claim 35 wherein said manipulating permits incremental assessment of prostatic urethra patency.

37. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein said indwelling device is adapted to receive a casting agent in furtherance of obtaining a casting of a prostatic urethra.

38. (New) The method of claim 37 further comprising obtaining a casting of the prostatic urethra.

39. (New) The method of claim 34 further comprising monitoring

urine flow during said manipulating.

40. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein said monitoring comprises visual assessment of said urine flow character.

41. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein said monitoring comprises pressure indication.

42. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein said monitoring comprises pressure indication and recording.